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**From:** Howard C. Lee  
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**Date:** September 13, 2005

**Re:** U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/883,002  
**CONTROLLING A MULTIPLICITY OF BASKETBALL ARENAS**  
FLH Ref. No.: 930016-2002

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Dear Mr. Feinberg:

As per our conversation, attached find a REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) cover sheet for the above-referenced application. This RCE, along with a Preliminary Amendment, is being simultaneously faxed to Examiner William M. Pierce.

Thank you for your prompt attention.

Sincerely,

/Howard C. Lee/  
Reg. Patent Agent

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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/883,002
Filing Date	June 15, 2001
First Named Inventor	Shaw et al.
Group Art Unit	3711
Examiner Name	William M. Pierce
Attorney Docket Number	930016-2002

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under CFR 1.114.

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed (via facsimile)
- i. ☒ Preliminary Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 w/ Request for One Month Suspension of Examination Under 37 C.F.R. 1.103 (c)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(I) required)
- b. ☐ Other

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to  
Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed for the following:
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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